



DEIR EXECUTIVE  
EDUCATION

# Geopolitical Risk

LEARN HOW TO TURN POLITICAL  
INSIGHT INTO ACTIONABLE IMPACT



EXECUTIVE EDUCATION

# Lead with confidence

**A dynamic and immersive learning experience designed to equip mid-to-senior executives with the knowledge and strategic insights needed to navigate today's complex global landscape.**

In an era defined by political uncertainty, economic volatility, and geopolitical tensions, organisations must anticipate and adapt to global risks.

Through interactive seminars, participants will gain a deeper understanding of how political, economic, and societal forces interact to create risk and opportunity in today's interconnected world.

Join us at the University of Oxford to gain the insights and expertise that will set you apart in today's fast-changing world. Our Executive Education programme equips you with the knowledge, skills, and networks needed to navigate complexity, drive innovation, and lead with confidence in an evolving global landscape.



**Our Geopolitical Risk programme will give you that knowledge and understanding to deal and prepare better in the future – better informed, is better prepared, is better outcomes and better results for you and your organisation.”**

**DAVID DOYLE, HEAD OF DEPARTMENT,  
PROFESSOR OF POLITICS**



# The Oxford advantage

This programme brings together world-leading Oxford academics and industry executives to explore the key geopolitical challenges shaping decision-making across a variety of sectors. It is a great opportunity to gain the tools, connections, and confidence to navigate an uncertain global landscape with clarity and foresight.



## Learn from world-class faculty

Designed and delivered by leading academics from the University of Oxford's Department of Politics and International Relations (DPIR). **Number One University for Politics in the UK** and **one of the best political science departments in the world**.



## Continue learning beyond the classroom

As a programme graduate, you will gain exclusive access to our Geopolitical Risk Forum, where you can continue learning through online lectures featuring expert insights and interactive Q&A sessions.



## Develop critical insights

Gain access to cutting-edge research and theoretical perspectives that provide a nuanced understanding of contemporary geopolitical risks.



## Exclusive Oxford experience

Immerse yourself in the intellectual atmosphere of one of the world's most prestigious universities.



## Expand your professional network

Connect with mid-to-senior executives and industry leaders, building lasting professional relationships that extend beyond the programme.



# JULY 2026 SPEAKERS

The programme's faculty possess extensive knowledge of the most important political touchpoints in the world right now.



## KEY NOTE SPEAKER

### Professor Jane Green

Professor Green is Director of the Nuffield Politics Research Centre and Co-Director of the British Election Study. She is President of the British Polling Council and Elections Analyst for ITV News' twice BAFTA-nominated election coverage, as well as a regular expert across the BBC. A Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, she was named the Political Studies Association's Research Communicator of the Year in 2015.



## THE UNCERTAINTY OF US POLIICS

### Professor Desmond King

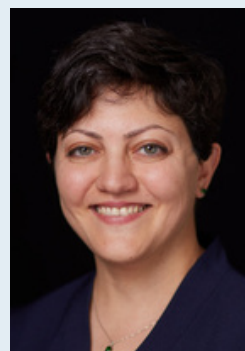
Andrew W. Mellon Statutory Professor of American Government at the University of Oxford, Desmond King has researched US politics and public policy for several decades, with expertise spanning foreign policy, the Federal Reserve, executive power, immigration, race and politics, and presidential authority. He is the author of numerous books, including *Fed Power: How Finance Wins* (Oxford University Press), *The Changing Character of the American Right* (two volumes), and *The Unitary Executive and the Deep State*. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Philosophical Society, and the National Academy of Sciences.



## THE UNCERTAINTY OF US POLIICS

### Dr Ursula Hackett

Churchill Associate Professor-elect of American Politics at Oxford University's American Rothermere Institute, and presently Reader in Politics at Royal Holloway, University of London, is a leading expert on US public policy, voting and state politics. She is the author of the prize-winning book *America's Voucher Politics: How Elites Learned to Hide the State* (Cambridge), numerous articles and op-eds, and hosts the admired *New Books* podcast.



## MILITARY STRUCTURE IN IRAN

### Professor Maryam Alemzadeh

Maryam Alemzadeh is Associate Professor in the History and Politics of Iran at the University of Oxford and a Fellow of the Middle East Centre. An expert on Iran and the Middle East, her research examines revolutions, state building, and the evolution of military and political institutions. Maryam will provide insights into Iran's domestic politics, regional influence, and the geopolitical dynamics shaping the Middle East today.



## POLITICAL RISK IN CHINA

### Professor Todd Hall

Professor Hall is Professor of International Relations at the University of Oxford. He earned his PhD from the University of Chicago and has held fellowships at Princeton and Harvard, with visiting appointments in Berlin, Beijing, and Tokyo. His research explores international relations theory, the role of emotion in foreign policy, and Chinese foreign policy. His book *Emotional Diplomacy* was co-winner of the 2016 Best Book Award from the International Studies Association.



## AI AND CYBER RISK

### Professor Lucas Kello

Lucas Kello is Associate Professor of International Relations and Director of the Academic Centre of Excellence in Cyber Security Research at the University of Oxford. His research examines the implications of emerging technologies, especially artificial intelligence and quantum computing, for international order and global security. He is the author of two acclaimed books on cyber strategy published by Yale University Press. In this session, he will discuss the evolving AI and cyber threat landscape and what it means for government and industry security strategy.



# For future-focused leaders

**This programme is designed for mid-to-senior executives navigating complex global landscapes. It is ideal for professionals, senior managers, directors, and organisational leaders across a variety of sectors.**

Whether you are responsible for strategic decision-making, risk assessment, or crisis management, this programme will equip you with the knowledge to anticipate and respond to evolving geopolitical challenges.

If you are looking to enhance your ability to interpret global risks, refine your organisation's resilience strategies, and make informed, forward-thinking decisions, this programme is for you.

We are seeking ambitious professionals who are:

- ☒ Mid-to-senior level executives
- ☒ Professionals from diverse industries looking to drive strategic impact
- ☒ Decision-makers who want to enhance their leadership skills
- ☒ Decision-makers who want to enhance leadership skills and gain global insights
- ☒ Individuals who are eager to collaborate, challenge perspectives, and apply insights directly to their organisations



# Immerse yourself and leave inspired

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This programme offers the perfect blend of Oxford's intellectually stimulating environment and the convenience of modern design, ensuring an **unforgettable and immersive experience**.

Your experience begins with an early evening welcome reception, allowing you to network with fellow participants, followed by a formal three-course dinner in the grandeur of Rhodes House. On the second evening, a more relaxed dinner is followed by a historic tour, led by Professor William Whyte, an esteemed Oxford historian known for his engaging storytelling, concluding at one of Oxford's iconic pubs.

Throughout your stay, you will enjoy continental breakfasts, delicious lunches, grazing platters, and refreshments, ensuring you remain energised and focused.

## Timeless tradition with contemporary experience

Hosted at the historic and prestigious Rhodes House, a Grade II\* listed classic Cotswold style venue renowned for its role in educating world leaders and Nobel Prize winners. Combining Oxford's timeless tradition with modern design, the venue offers beautiful en-suite accommodation, just a short walk from central Oxford.



# Connections that count – fostering strategic relationships

One of the most powerful outcomes of this programme is the networks it fosters. You will engage in strategic, cross-sector dialogue with senior leaders from government and industry, as well as leading academics. We aim to cultivate lasting networks of senior leaders supporting them to navigate geopolitical complexity with confidence.

This network extends well beyond the residential experience. Over the following 12 months, participants gain access to the exclusive Geopolitical Risk Forum — a virtual platform featuring regular briefings with leading Oxford academics. These expert-led sessions offer timely insights into emerging global risks and provide a space for informed discussion, peer exchange, and continued collaboration across sectors.



## DPIR Geopolitical Risk Forum

12 months following  
the programme  
included



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## Guarantee your place

**With only 30 places available, early application is strongly advised.**

For more information about the programme and how to apply, please follow the link or scan the QR code.

**APPLY NOW**

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